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- Eli Manning takes home another MVP award after leading team to winning touchdown

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In the news

EMT gets paid despite death investigation

A medic charged with misconduct after she watched a pregnant woman die in 2009 is still on the city payroll. Melisa Jackson, 25, has earned $39,000 annually for the past two years since the death of Eutisha Rennix, according to the New York Post. Witnesses say that Jackson stood by and did nothing as Rennix had a fatal asthma attack in downtown Brooklyn. METRO/EAE

In the news

Abortion claim?

The woman who police say is stalking Yankees general manager Brian Cashman warned him she was going to tell the world he got her pregnant and she had an abortion, according to private e-mails between the pair obtained by the New York Daily News. Louise Neathway even included a photo that she said was a sonogram of Cashman's unborn baby. METRO/CB

Giants Web ad claims early win

NEW YORK. Ooops! The official website of the New York Giants posted Saturday that the team won Super Bowl XLVI. The poster on the site, seen above, featured Eli Manning and Jason Pierre-Paul celebrating. The image was an ad, explained the Giants, that someone accidentally turned live too early. "In this case, the hidden URL for the page was inadvertently available for a brief period of time," read an official NFL statement. The ad was only up briefly on Saturday before it was taken down. METRO/CB

Ticket to ride, but no seats?

INDIANAPOLIS. Five dedicated Giants fans from New York made a 14-hour pilgrimage to Indianapolis this past weekend — even though they didn't have any tickets to the game. The Daily News reports that Paul Pawlowski, Marc Martilotta, Joe Ariel, Matt Van Dyne and Jack Decker piled into an RV on Thursday, with only some booze, raw cookie dough and Gatorade to subsist on. METRO/EAE

'Scammers' arrested

NEW YORK. A trio of alleged Super Bowl scam artists was arrested Saturday for selling nonexistent tickets to yesterday's game, according to the Daily News. Police told the paper that Ezequiel Pinero, Yadiel Gonzalez-Medina and Ronald Baez posted 40 ads on Craigslist promoting phony Super Bowl seats, claiming they had tickets because a Patriots season ticket-holder couldn't attend. METRO/EAE

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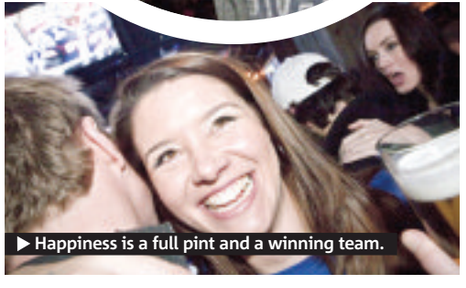
▶ Touchdown! Giants fans celebrated in style last night.

Chris Collins, 30, cheers his team.

▶ The ladies weren't about to let the guys have all the fun.



▶ Happiness is a full pint and a winning team.

Two for two: Patriots spanked again!

Next up, that glorious ticker-tape parade! New York Giants fans watching the game from The Ainsworth sports bar in Chelsea rejoiced last night, as Big Blue beat the New England Patriots once again.

Ivonne Smith, a 28-year-old Jersey City resident, watched the entire game confident her Giants would emerge the victor. And she was ready to celebrate with more than just a few drinks last night, she said.

"I'm going to go crazy; I'm going to do back flips in the streets," said Smith. "I'm going to take the day off and paint my nails red and blue. I'm calling everybody in my phone to scream 'GO BIG BLUE!'"

Alex Abelin, 28, who works for Google, gathered friends for an impromptu rooftop party at his apartment building last night.

And Manhattanite Ashleigh Groves, 26, was ready to shout from the rooftops. After all, with a win this good, who cares about work on Monday morning? "It will be a very happy hangover," he said.

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Giants season a boon to city bars

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▶ A bartender pours beer at Third & Long sports bar in Murray Hill during the Giants' NFC Championship win over the San Francisco 49ers on Jan. 22.

No matter the outcome of yesterday's big game, the New York Giants' 2011 season was poised to go down in history as a win for sports bars and restaurants across the city.

Bar managers reported a huge boost in business as Giants fans poured in every Sunday, buying beer after beer as games stretched into overtime.

"In Manhattan, nobody has a house for 20 people," said Mike McCormack, manager of Foley's New York Pub on 33rd Street. "Nobody has a living room big enough for eight or so of their friends, so Foley's is their living room."

At Foley's, they sold out reservations for Super Bowl XLVI in 22 hours, he said.

In honor of yesterday's game, the bar banned Boston-brewed Samuel Adams beer. But that didn't stop them from raking it in: McCormack estimated that yesterday's revenue will likely be four times that of next Sunday, a football-free day.

Randy Shehady, a managing partner at The 13th Step in the East Village, which boasts 32 televisions, said Giants games bring a 40 percent boost in sales.

Every win meant a flurry of phone calls to reserve a spot for the following game. "The next morning, the phone would be ringing off the hook," Shehady said.

Alli Cooke, event manager for the Village Pourhouse's location on 46th Street, said the bar stocked Giants napkins and waitresses painted black stripes under their eyes in honor of the G-Men.

"It's night and day. When you have local teams that are doing well, it just makes all the difference in the world for sports bars like ours," said Cooke.

A slow Sunday normally brings in $2,000, but a Giants game packed with 200 fans can net as much as $8,000 by the end of the night, she said.

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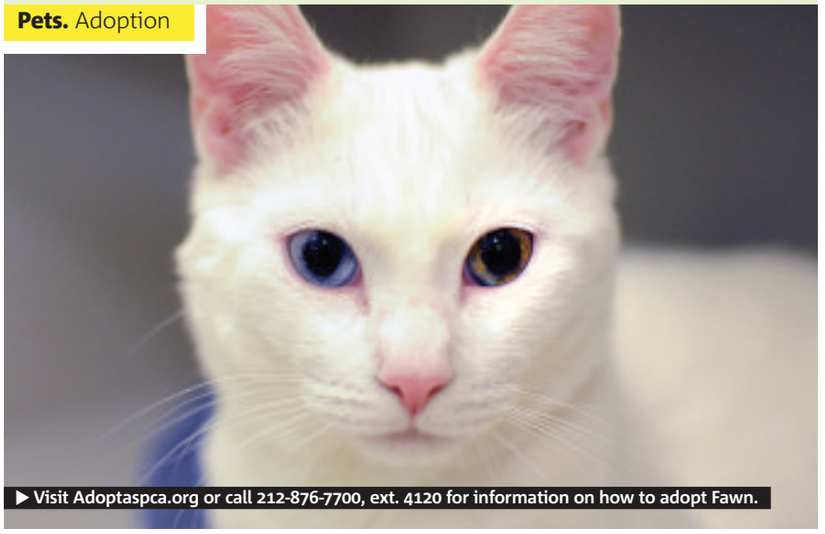

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News in brief

▶ A gun the teens allegedly used.

Teens charged with sex assault and burglary in BK

BROWNSVILLE. Four teens, including one as young as 13 years old, have been charged with breaking into an apartment last Monday afternoon in Brownsville. The teens, armed with one gun and wearing ski masks, entered through an unlocked front door. Once inside, they tied up a 24-year-old man and a 22-year-old woman and then sexually assaulted the woman, said police. They then made off with cash, jewelry and laptop computers. The victims were discovered by a roommate who called 911 when he returned home later that day. METRO/SV

Floor caves in at party, four injured

BED-STUY. Four people were hurt Saturday night at Brooklyn club "Slave" when the floor of an outdoor smoking area collapsed, according to the New York Post. At around 10:30 p.m. the floor crumbled, dropping the smokers 10 feet into a cellar. METRO/EAE

"They are all the devil's spawn."

That's what a Brooklyn teacher wrote about her fifth-grade students on Facebook in June 2010, which got her fired from her $78,000-a-year job at PS 203 in Flatlands. But last week a judge ruled Christine Rubino can go back to work because of her otherwise unblemished 15 years of teaching. METRO/SV

Transgender woman sues city, NYPD after arrest

A Manhattan woman is suing the city and NYPD officers after she said she was harassed at a Union Square precinct because she is transgender.

Temmie Breslauer filed a lawsuit Jan. 24, alleging that cops called her names and chained her arm above her head for 28 hours, all after she refused to discuss her genitalia.

She said she was arrested in the subway Jan. 12 at the 125th Street 4-train station for using a discount fare card that belonged to her father. Two police officers arrested her.

"Each giggled and laughed at her as they were arresting her," the lawsuit alleges.

Then, the suit continues, police took Breslauer to the police precinct inside the Union Square subway station, where she says a sergeant asked her whether she had a penis or a vagina. She explained she was undergoing a gender change.

Breslauer, 52, whose legal first name is Todd, said she was then seated on a bench with her arm attached to a fence above her for 28 hours. At the precinct, officers allegedly called her "He-She," a "transvestite," and said things like "Is it Halloween?"

Her lawyer, Gregory Antollino, argues that officers could have put her either with women or in a cell by herself. Instead, he said, she was seated in front of a cell where male prisoners taunted her and threw soda cans at her.

"They could have put her with the women," he said. "A penis is not a weapon."

The NYPD should also create a policy on how to process transgender arrestees, he added.

"That needed to be addressed before this happened and must be addressed now," Antollino said.

Councilman Daniel Dromm said that transgender people in his Queens district have been targeted by cops who assume they are prostitutes. Constituents told him they were simply standing with friends on the street when cops approached them and arrested them on prostitution charges.

▶ Justin Adkins, who is transgender, was arrested during an Occupy Wall Street protest. He said police handcuffed him to a bar for eight hours.

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Not the first

Others undergoing a sex change have complained:

▶ Justin Adkins of Massachusetts was arrested as part of an OWS protest. He said that police asked him what he "had down there" after he said he was transgender.

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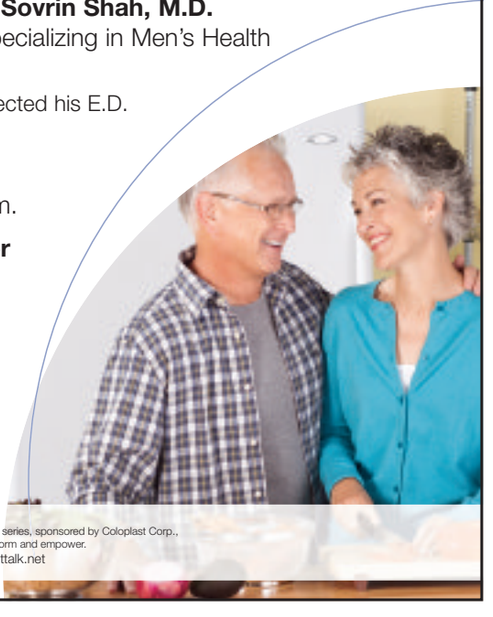

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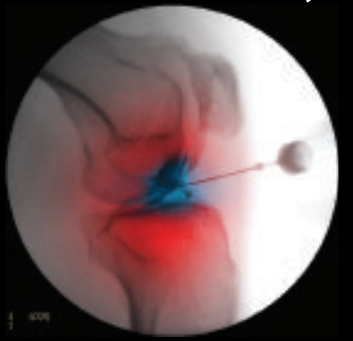

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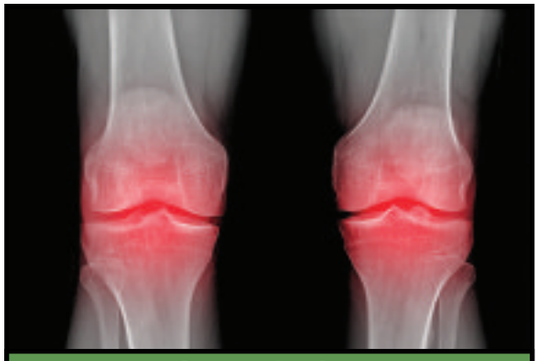

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DENNIS HAVEL/NEWSTEAM

▶ It wasn't a knack for firearms that helped Havel get the desired shot. He had to calculate how long the droplet would take to fall 13 inches as the pellet was firing across.

Not faster than a speeding shutter

PHOENICIA, N.Y. Here's a shutterbug that can catch bullets! This is a stunning image by a retired police officer who has captured a gun pellet flying through a falling water drop. Dennis Havel, 63, took on this seemingly impossible task after one of his friends bet him $50 that it couldn't be done. "I have a timer set so it fires the flash a couple of thousands of seconds after the drop is released," Havel said. MWN

"I'm not an expert photographer — it was more of a mathematics and physics thing."
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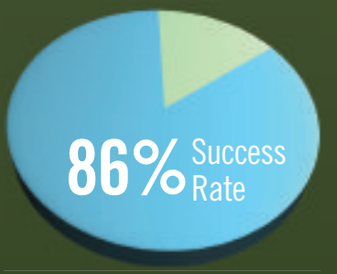

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▶ For an alleged socialist, Obama sure does love Wall Street.

Mitt Romney's substantial caucus win in Nevada has allowed the former governor to take some of the rhetorical pressure off of Newt Gingrich and focus his message more clearly toward the true conservative goal of the 2012 elections: annihilation of the Obama presidency.

In his Sin City victory speech, "Gov. Mormon" (as CNN anchor John King accidentally addressed him that night) took aim at Obama's economic record, criticizing, among other specious failures, the president's stimulus for not bringing unemployment below 8 percent, saying "Obama demonizes and denigrates almost every sector of our economy."

The message of Obama's alleged wickedness resonates. In a recap of the speech, the L.A. Times cites one Romney supporter, retired airline pilot Larry Bleitz, as buying into the hate: "I'd take anybody over Obama. The man is a traitor and an American hater." Bleitz's wife, Mieke, chimed in: "I feel that the U.S. is actually more socialist than Canada."

This sort of attack has been viciously employed from the moment our nation's first biracial president assumed the presidency. Unfortunately, it's complete nonsense.

Far it be from us to stifle legitimate Obama critique (for confirmation of our nonbias on this front, please see our weekend column, "Seeing through Obama's transparency"), but the economic data simply refute these claims.

According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, Obama's stimulus measures boosted the GDP and added millions of jobs. (Multiple analyses confirm this assessment.) GDP has had positive growth since 2009, payroll statistics show 16 straight months of job growth, and the unemployment rate is down.

All this while faced off with an opposition openly committed toward sinking the president's re-election chances at the expense of the U.S. economy.

Look, we don't love Obama, but it's important to bring this conversation back to reality — where the only America-haters are those distorting economic data and where the true traitors want America to fail.

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Just how socialistic is Obama?

According to findings from the political analysts at Voteview, President Obama is actually the most moderate Democratic president of the post-WWII era, despite some very loud opinions to the contrary. By contrast, former President George W. Bush was found to be the most conservative president in that same era. In its series on political polarization, Voteview data show how U.S. politicians have moved farther apart from each other in the past hundred-plus years, with the steady disappearance of party moderation.

Newt: I'd back 'dishonest' Mitt

"President Obama is such a direct threat to the future of this country that I will support the Republican nominee."

NEWT GINGRICH, UPON BEING ASKED WHETHER HE'D SUPPORT A ROMNEY PRESIDENCY IF HIS OWN CAMPAIGN FAILED. IN HIS SATURDAY NIGHT NEVADA CONCESSION SPEECH, MEANWHILE, GINGRICH CATEGORIZED ROMNEY AS THE LYINGEST MAN HE HAS EVER KNOWN — "SUBSTANTIALLY," "STUNN[INGLY]," "BLATANTLY," "FUNDAMENTALLY," "DELIBERATE[LY]," "DISHONEST TO THE ENTIRE COUNTRY." WITH ENDORSEMENTS LIKE THIS, WHO NEEDS FRIENDS?!

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Newt Gingrich hits out at 'timid' Mitt Romney

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▶ Newt Gingrich hopes to draw contrast with 'timid' Romney.

Republican Newt Gingrich vowed yesterday to press ahead with his struggling presidential bid after another big loss in Nevada, saying he will focus on drawing a contrast with "timid" rival Mitt Romney.

Romney, the Republican front-runner, easily thumped Gingrich in Nevada on Saturday for his second consecutive win and third in the first five contests in the state-by-state battle to pick a challenger to face Democratic President Barack Obama in the November election.

The win gave Romney a growing wave of momentum as the race turns to the next round of three contests on Tuesday — in Minnesota, Colorado and Missouri — and Maine's weeklong caucuses that conclude next Saturday.

It also raised questions about Gingrich's future, but the former U.S. House of Representatives speaker appeared on two national morning talk shows to repeat his vow to stay in the race despite losses in Nevada and last week in Florida.

Gingrich, a former Georgia congressman, hopes his campaign can last until 10 "Super Tuesday" contests on March 6 and several later contests in March, when votes will be taken in Southern states where he expects to do well.

Gingrich said he hoped to pull close to even with Romney in delegates for the nomination after the Texas primary in early April. **REUTERS**

Hundreds die in European cold snap

LONDON. Bitterly cold weather sweeping across Europe claimed more victims yesterday, brought widespread disruption to transport services, and left thousands without power with warnings that low temperatures would continue into next week.

Hundreds have lost their lives in Eastern Europe as freezing weather sweeps across the continent westward, while major airports warned that services would be delayed or cancelled.

Steven Keates, a weather forecaster at Britain's Met Office, said the severe wintry conditions were expected to last and spread.

A state of emergency was declared in Bosnia after the cold snap claimed its seventh victim, and avalanches and strong winds cut off hundreds of villages in eastern parts. **REUTERS**

Mayors appear in Super Bowl gun control ad

WASHINGTON. Among the slick, million-dollar ads for the likes of Pepsi and Honda during the Super Bowl last night, viewers in Washington saw a far more modest spot: New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Boston Mayor Thomas Menino sitting on a couch touting an issue most politicians avoid like the plague: gun control.

The mayors, whose teams faced off in the big game, are making the pitch for Mayors Against Illegal Guns, the organization they co-founded in 2006.

Murder has been on the decline in New York and other major American cities for years, but the mayors say they still see too many dead cops and teens. **REUTERS**

Iran threatens anyone helping US-Israel attacks

TEHRAN. Iran will target any country used as a launchpad for attacks against its soil, the deputy Revolutionary Guards commander said, expanding Tehran's range of threats in an increasingly volatile standoff with world powers over its nuclear ambitions.

Last week, Iran's supreme clerical leader threatened reprisals for the West's new ban on Iranian oil exports and the U.S. defense secretary was quoted as saying Israel was likely to bomb Iran within months to stop it assembling nuclear weapons.

The Guards began two days of military maneuvers in Iran on Saturday. **REUTERS**

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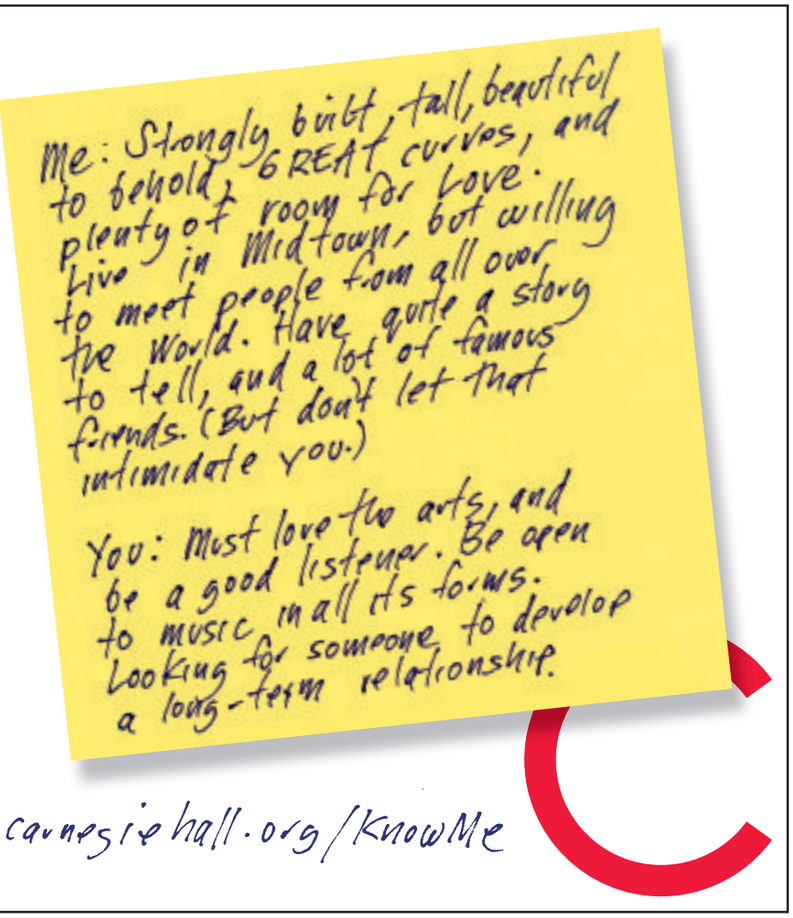
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– Dorothy Robinson will return tomorrow.

The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Neil Patrick Harris is living the life, Elizabeth Banks is lost without "Lost," Jessica Alba is having a rough day and Seth MacFarlane sees a sign.

@ActuallyNPH: Having a relaxing day with the fam and friends. Making pizzas in the pizza oven. Wine. Swimming. LA is odd when winter feels like summer.

@ElizabethBanks: My driver's name is Sayid which reminds me, I miss Lost. #Penny&DesmondForever #Nerd

@jessicaalba: having a sick baby is the WORST thing in the world....

@SethMacFarlane: Coming soon: a Broadway musical where everyone just sings Ace of Base songs! 'Cause that counts as a Broadway musical now!

Alba

Butterbeers flowing on 'Potter' set?

Now that he's done being Harry Potter, **Daniel Radcliffe** is coming clean about wizarding under the influence.

"I can honestly say I never drank at work on 'Harry Potter.' I went into work still drunk, but I never drank at work. I can point to many scenes where I'm just gone. Dead behind the eyes," Radcliffe says in an interview with Heat magazine. "I have a very addictive personality. It was a problem. People with problems like that are very adept at hiding it. It was bad. I don't want to go into details, but I drank a lot and it was daily — I mean nightly."

We're happy to hear that Radcliffe, wise young man that he is, has since sobered up — allowing us to devise "Harry Potter" drinking games with a clear conscience. Our personal golden snitch: A shot of him getting queasy on a broomstick and/or slurring his way through Parseltongue.

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▶ Harry Potter, you saucy minx!

Beckham 'pretty OK'

After comedian **James Corden** suggested that **David Beckham** had a little assistance with his H&M underwear campaign ads, the soccer star is responding. "I've never, ever padded out my pants or shoved socks down there. I've never had to for any of the photo shoots I've done because, hopefully, I don't need to," Beckham tells the Daily Mirror. "Well, let's just say I've been told I don't need any help in that department. I think I'm pretty OK."

We did a little research — we owe you one, Internet! — and we're very enthusiastically siding with Becks.

Beckham

You can take the girls out of Jersey ...

Hoboken may have denied **Snooki** and **JWoww** a filming permit, but that's not going to stop the "Jersey Shore" ladies from setting their new spinoff in the Garden State. Undeterred, they're working "round the clock" to find a new location, reports TMZ.

New Jersey, you really need to get over yourself and embrace these kids — it's rare that anyone who has ever escaped your borders even considers returning.

Talking points

Heidi Klum: 'Seal won't shut up'

While **Seal** has still been wearing his wedding ring and working the talk show circuit saying that he and **Heidi Klum** are "still together," Klum reportedly doesn't see it that way. "They have zero plans to get back together," a source close to the "Project Runway" host says, according to Hollyscoop. And apparently Seal's going on about it is just making things worse, as Klum reportedly has been complaining that "Seal won't shut up."

Witherspoon going natural — for now

Reese Witherspoon hasn't had any work done — yet. "I don't think I need plastic surgery at this point," Witherspoon tells the U.K. edition of Glamour magazine. "Can we just go day by day on that one?" The Oscar-winner insists she doesn't have a firm stance on the practice of nipping and tucking. "I'm not for it, I'm not against it," she says. "I have plenty of friends who do stuff and if it makes you feel good, great. But I don't think it's the fix for some sort of unease that you're having about who you are as a human being."

▶ Witherspoon

Kutcher not involved in Moore's rehab

Even though **Ashton Kutcher** is back in the U.S. after his recent trip to Brazil — during which **Demi Moore** was hospitalized for a drug-related collapse — that doesn't mean he's planning to be a part of his estranged wife's recovery, according to Us Weekly. "He just wants to move on," a source says. "He cares about Demi and would help if asked, but he's not part of her life anymore." Another source says his absence would be felt most by Moore's daughters, as he had been playing a more key role in their lives. "For a while, Ashton was acting as the primary parent because Demi was so out of control," the source says.

A star-studded weekend in Indiana

1: Peyton Manning (who is, apparently, gigantic), **Spike Lee** and **Jackson Lee** made appearances at DIRECTV's Celebrity Beach Bowl Party in Indianapolis on Saturday.

2: Something you may never see again: **Neil Patrick Harris**, **Snoop Dogg** and **Jordin Sparks** playing beach football.

3: Harvey Weinstein was one of the high-profile hosts at a pre-Super Bowl luncheon at Michael's restaurant in New York City last week.

4: Madonna was booked to perform during the Super Bowl's halftime show. But, um, judging by these arms? Girl might have a different gig next year.

5: Katy Perry and her Smurf 'do also stopped by the Beach Bowl Party.

6: Football wife **Kendra Wilkinson** posed with ex-frenemies **Bridget Marquardt** and **Holly Madison** at the Leather & Laces party in Indianapolis on Saturday.

7: Hello, handsome! **Jon Hamm** was looking very Draper-esque at the 2012 NFL Honors in Indianapolis on Saturday.

8: And **Lenny Kravitz**? Can someone add us to the NFL Honors roll next year?

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NBC's new musical series is all about drama behind the scenes on Broadway ◆ Cast members discuss the players behind the fictional Marilyn Monroe musical

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"Smash" premieres Monday at 10 p.m. on NBC.

It's not easy producing a Broadway hit, let alone actually getting your musical to the stage in the first place. There's inherent drama in the process — but who knew it would make for such fascinating television?

In NBC's "Smash," a successful songwriting duo attempts to create a Broadway musical based on the life of Marilyn Monroe. Meet the schemers and dreamers who share the stage.

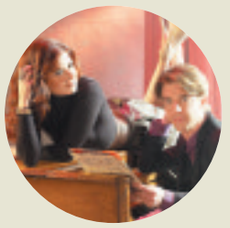
The role: Ivy

AKA: Marilyn Monroe hopeful No. 1
Played by: Broadway star Megan Hilty
About Ivy: Ivy is a New York stage veteran waiting for her big break to move from chorus girl to star.
Her thoughts: How authentic is "Smash" to life on the Broadway stage? Very, says Hilty. "I think the genius of making this idea into a series is that when you are a live performer, you're giving so much of yourself and there's so much at stake when you're exposing yourself in front of hundreds of thousands of people," she says. "It naturally sets the tone and sets the stage for high drama. This show definitely taps into all of those things."

The role: Karen

AKA: Marilyn Monroe hopeful No. 2
Played by: "American Idol" star Katharine McPhee
About Karen: Karen is a sweet Midwestern girl trying to make it big in NYC.
Her thoughts: She may be singing on television again, but filming a drama is a lot different from McPhee's days on "Idol." "I'm usually singing songs that I'm hearing for the first time," she admits. "It's such a fast pace that we're on, and you don't get a whole lot of time to sit with the songs and perfect them. And it is different because, for me, I think of myself as more of a pop artist — and Megan has got, like, the big Broadway voice. So I'm always trying to balance the two."

The roles: Julia and Tom



AKA: Marilyn Monroe musical creators
Played by: Debra Messing and Christian Borle
About Julia and Tom: Julia was going to take time off from writing with Tom to adopt a child, but now that the inspiration for a Marilyn musical has hit, she's going to try juggling both dreams.
Their thoughts: "Here is a woman who is very passionate about her creative life and needs that part of her life fulfilled, but also really is a proud mother and wants that home life — and wants that balance," says Messing. "And I love that nothing is simple."

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'Absolutely Fabulous'

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▶ You do not mess with the ladies of "Ab Fab."

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'The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills: Reunion, Part 2'

SPECIAL. Ding, ding! It's round two of the Housewives exchanging pointy words that they didn't jab at each other during the season. **9 p.m., Bravo**

'Hart of Dixie'

DRAMA. Congratulations, "Hart of Dixie." We didn't think it possible to top Mystic Falls' hokey "town fete of the week" on "The Vampire Diaries," but you've truly outdone yourselves with tonight's Sweetie Pie Dance — which Zoe tries to avoid, but of course will attend. **9 p.m., The CW**

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'Chronicle,' 'Woman in Black' crush box office

COURTESY OF CBS FILMS

Box office

▶ Daniel Radcliffe's "The Woman in Black" came in at a close second to "Chronicle" in this weekend's box office.

Thriller "Chronicle" edged haunted-house film "The Woman in Black" in a tight box-office race that saw both movies beating pre-weekend forecasts, studio estimates released on Sunday showed.

"Chronicle," a story about three teenage boys who develop superpowers and find they have a dark side, brought in an estimated $22.0 million from U.S. and Canadian theaters.

"The Woman in Black," the first movie for Daniel Radcliffe since his "Harry Potter" franchise ended, trailed close behind with an estimated $21.0 million.

The performance of both movies surpassed studio and industry projections despite competition from Sunday's Super Bowl. The figures include actual sales for Friday and Saturday plus estimates for Sunday.

Last week's winner, the Liam Neeson thriller "The Grey," dropped to third place with $9.5 million.

CBS Films, a unit of CBS Corp, released "The Woman in Black." News Corp. unit 20th Century Fox distributed "Chronicle." The third film that opened wide this weekend, "Big Miracle, " was released by Universal Pictures. **REUTERS**

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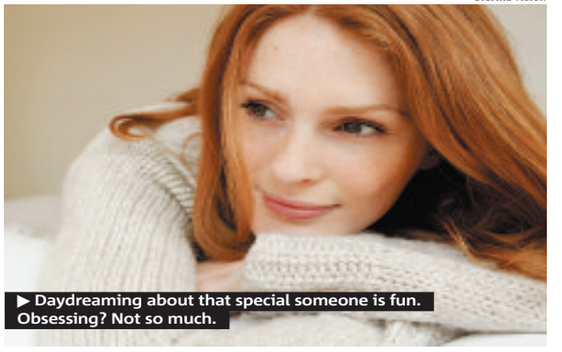

▶ Daydreaming about that special someone is fun. Obsessing? Not so much.

Let's face it: Though romantic relationships can be wonderful, sometimes they are totally nightmarish. While there are a lot of reasons romance can be tough, most of the time the chaos begins within.

The first step toward clearing a fear of romance is to accept relationships as opportunities for awesome spiritual growth. Rather than get all heady about what went wrong in the past, let's focus on what you can change today. Outlined below are key principles that will help guide you to release fear in romance and cultivate more love in your life:

No one is sent to anyone by accident: There are no "chance encounters." All encounters offer us the opportunity to learn and grow. This new attitude will allow you to begin to appreciate the partner who brings up all your funky issues.

Special isn't so special: Ask yourself who you've made an idol. Creating idols in romance can make us neurotic, controlling and insecure. We often feel so beholden to this special partner because our egos make us believe that we can only feel complete in the arms of someone else. Begin to set yourself free from this illusion by recognizing who's special to you. Then practice making your friendships equally as important. This will even out your energy.

MediDATE: Another major tool for releasing romantic fears is to begin a meditation practice. Through meditation you can forgive and let go of the special projections you've placed on your partner. Meditation is also a great tool for calling in new romance. In my meditation album MediDATING I guide listeners through the process of releasing romantic fears to clear space for more love.

Whether you're married, single or dating, taking these steps can be truly transformative. Valentine's Day is just around the corner, so take this opportunity to release romantic fears and clear space for more love.

Want more powerful romance tips and meditations? Join me on Feb. 8 on LiveStream Video or at ABC Carpet & Home's Deepak Homebase for my MediDATING launch lecture. Learn more at www.gabbyb.tv/medidate.

*— **Gabrielle Bernstein** is the author of "Spirit Junkie."*

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- **Question: Do you do enough to make other people happy?**
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- **Question: If life was a test based on good deeds, would you pass or fail?**
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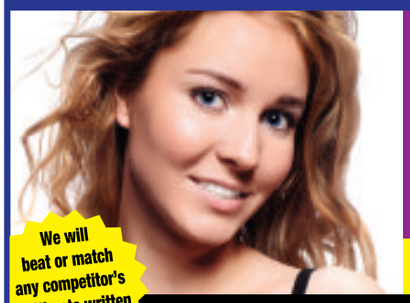

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▶ Holistic health care services, such as massage therapy, are increasingly popular.

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Physical therapists

Physical therapists spend extensive time working with patients, creating a bond with them and designing programs and rehabilitation exercises. Many of these patients are athletes. "We see athletes enter with concussions, unknown pain or decreases in production or post-op status," says Chris Keating of Strive Physical Therapy. They create personalized recovery plans, similar to the way a teacher formats a curriculum. "The programs we design will progress enhancing a patient's strength, flexibility, balance, coordination, endurance and overall performance," says Keating.

Holistic health care

One largely expanding field is that of holistic healing. CAM — an acronym for Complementary and Alternative Medicine — involves sophisticated practices that include acupuncture and acupressure along with massage therapy. More schools are offering courses in this study, and more Americans are seeking medical attention in alternative forms: A National Health Interview Survey found that 38 percent of adults questioned use a form of alternative or holistic medicine.

Occupational therapists

Occupational therapists assist the elderly and those who have suffered an illness or injury in relearning everyday skills. It's a flexible job that offers a variety of positions within the system. "Occupational therapy allows for many jobs in the same career," explains occupational therapist Jeremy R. Furniss, VP of Operations at Ergo Solutions. "Because we work in so many environments, you can easily switch to avoid burnout. You find OTs in medical care and hospitals, work sites such as factories or offices, schools and just about anywhere else these days."

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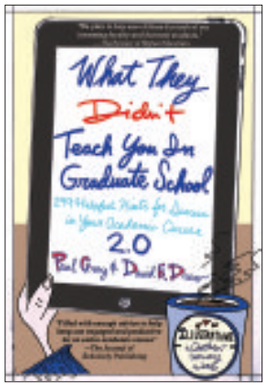
At 73 and 81, Claremont Graduate University professors David E. Drew and Paul Gray have a lot of pent-up wisdom to offer. While both have authored scores of books in their fields of study — Gray on information sciences and Drew on math and science education — there's no doubt that "What They Didn't Teach You in Graduate School" is the most direct, practical, lighthearted thing either has ever penned.



Initially based on informal memos intended for their own students, "What They Didn't Teach You" contains 299 snippets of career advice on everything from the wrong adjectives to use in a research paper to navigating the tenure track. "We're two authors that have been in the business a long time, and have reflected on it, and we're simply trying to share our best insights," says Drew, who is still teaching with no plans for retirement. "When I was going through school, I worked at all kinds of jobs to earn money — from a paper mill, to operating a lathe, to being a bartender. In very few of those jobs is there an intrinsic pleasure to the work, but in being a professor there is."

Laced with irreverent cartoons by Matthew Henry Hall, the 2.0 edition is nearly twice as thick as the 2008 model, with new insights on for-profit colleges and the reduction of tenured-track positions.

"I think there's a need for a book like this in most fields," says Drew. "In graduate study, people learn the theories, the models and literature — but they're typically not told how the job actually works."

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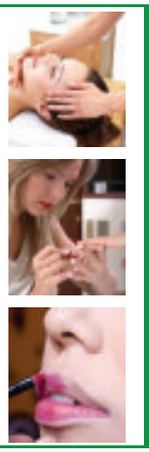

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War in Iran the next step for profiteers

An article in Yahoo yesterday warns that Iran will attack any country that attacks it. How dare they defend themselves! Has lead in the water turned America into a nation of idiots? We have all seen this dance before. Do Iraq and Afghanistan sound familiar? Get these warmongering fools out of foreign policy, now! **CHARLES MICHAEL COUCH, BED-STUY**

U.S. Sen. John McCain once sang "Bomb, Bomb, Bomb, Bomb-Bomb Iran." With Iran in desperate straits, it looks as if the Allies may have a "hit" on their hands! **HERB STARK, MASSAPEQUA**

Romney comments still resonating

RE: "FRESH OFF FLORIDA WIN, ROMNEY LOOSENS LIPS": Linda Bryant is correct in stating that Republicans are under the misconception that the poor consists mainly of minorities. The indisputable fact is that the vast majority of those on welfare are white. Even though Republicans continue to show a disdain for the poor, poor whites will continue to vote against their own economic self-interest and vote Republican because they have been bamboozled. Romney did not misspeak; he revealed a truth that the 99 percent should be aware of — Republicans have no concern for the poor. **CAROLYN CASEY, VIA E-MAIL**

Are we the people to believe that Mitt Romney — a proponent of the Mormon religion, a religion which endorses the belief that black people are cursed to be poor — having publicly stated his lack of compassion for the poor is suited to lead this country? In spite of the current economic climate, it would be foolish for us to think that a corporate vampire like Romney can do anything for our current situation except further tear us and our country apart. **CLIVE L. BROWN, VIA E-MAIL**

Metro, I really can't believe that you published another nonsense letter about Republicans, like the one on Romney's comments about the poor to validate her beliefs about what Republicans think and believe about the poor and minorities. Romney's comments had nothing to do with race! I'm sorry, but not all Republicans are racist. **SAM KHOURY, VIA E-MAIL**

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Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You're likely to be more comfortable issuing orders than following them, but the latter may just be your fate.

Aries **March 21-April 19.** If you find yourself facing a financial shortfall, you can probably blame it all on one recent foolish purchase.

Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Your views are likely to mean more to you than they will to your listeners, while their outlook will be what counts to them.

Gemini **May 21-June 20.** You could lull yourself into a false sense of security by believing you're in a stronger position than you actually are.

Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Be realistic and pragmatic about the resources you have at hand instead of depending on what you believe to be coming in.

Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** The only folks you can expect to come through for you will be the little people in your life, not the big shots.

Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** If you feel you've been taken advantage of, the blame could actually fall on you for making a commitment you shouldn't ever have made.

Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** You should know that no one is likely to give you anything without you contributing the initial favor.

Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Keep in mind that optimism can be an asset, but wishful thinking does nothing.

Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Take care you don't spend more time discussing your intentions than fulfilling them.

Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** There is a strong possibility that you could be tempted by a tantalizing challenge in which the odds are tilted against you. Remember Don Quixote. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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GIANT FINISH

Hail Mary falls short for Patriots as New York wins Super Bowl XLVI ◐ Ahmad Bradshaw scores go-ahead touchdown with under a minute left ◐ Franchise wins fourth championship

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▶ Eli Manning jumps on the back of defensive end Justin Tuck after the final Hail Mary by the Patriots fell incomplete.

INDIANAPOLIS. The New York Giants moved into rarified air as they captured their fourth Super Bowl in franchise history in a dramatic 21-17 win over the New England Patriots.

Giants' quarterback Eli Manning went 30-of-40, for 296 yards and one touchdown and hit eight different receivers. And unlike his counterpart Tom Brady, he didn't commit a turnover, raising his postseason ratio to nine touchdowns and just one interception.

Manning showed his championship mettle as he took the Giants down the field on the game-winning drive. The biggest play was a Manning to Mario Manningham 38-yarder down the left sideline that put the ball at midfield and gave the Giants a huge boost. The play was upheld by replay, which also took away a crucial timeout from the Patriots after the replay challenge didn't go their way. The huge play resulted in Ahmad Bradshaw's six-yard touchdown run, with 57 seconds remaining, for the eventual game-winning points.

What Manning also managed to do was put to rest any more elite questions, as he's now dethroned Brady in the Super Bowl twice in the last four seasons. He also gave the Giants their fourth Vince Lombardi Trophy to match three other franchises (Steelers, 49ers, Packers and Cowboys) with at least as many trophies.

Manning got off to a record-setting start as he began the game 9-of-9, which was a Super Bowl record for best start ever by a quarterback. His hot start helped the Giants get off to a fast 9-0 lead. And while Tom Brady erased that deficit to end the first half up 10-9, it was Manning's second half that was phenomenal.

His nine-play, 88-yard game-winning drive in just 2:49 was the stuff Brady was used to doing. Manning was judicious with the ball, but his favorite target was Hakeem Nicks, who tallied a game-high 10 catches for 109 yards.

While Manning earned his second Super Bowl, one more than older brother Peyton, he also beat Brady for a second time.

The questions of Manning's talent level died for good in Indianapolis.

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In the news

Beckum injury

The Giants were without tight end Travis Beckum after the second quarter due to a torn ACL.

Beckum is the team's third tight end, mostly providing a receiving option across from starter Jake Ballard. He had just five catches during the season, though he played a major role in beating the 49ers in the NFC title game.

Beckum wasn't targeted in the game prior to the injury.

Eli Manning takes home second MVP

Not only did Eli Manning best Tom Brady for the second time, he also took home his second Most Valuable Player Award.

He finished with 296 yards passing and a touchdown, beginning with a record nine straight completions and ending with a game-winning drive.

"We spread the ball around, taking what they gave us," Manning said. "A number of guys made big plays for us."

As you would expect, he constantly deferred to his teammates, even when asked what the MVP meant to him.

"I'm just excited to win a championship, excited for my teammates," Manning said.

But in the end it was Manning who held the ball, down by two points, with 88 yards in front of him. And like he's done so many times before, he came through.

"We've been in those positions before where we knew we had to go down and score. Some guys stepped up." METRO

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▶ Manning

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Giants take their second straight Super Bowl ◆ And two in a row off the Patriots on top of that ◆ Metro looks at what went right in getting New York its second trophy in four years

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▶ From left to right, Victor Cruz, Jake Ballard, Hakeem Nicks, Mario Manningham and David Diehl celebrate Cruz's first quarter touchdown.

What went right for the Giants ...

1 Manning up — Eli Manning got off to a historical start in the Super Bowl, starting 9-of-9, and didn't look back, as he manipulated the Patriots' defense all game. Manning finished 30-of-40, for 296 yards and one touchdown and hit eight different receivers. And unlike his counterpart Tom Brady, he didn't commit a turnover.

2 Nick of time — Hakeem Nicks was the beneficiary of Manning's generosity as he tallied 10 catches for 109 yards. Both were game highs. Nicks came into the game the leading Giants' receiver and stayed that way as he led all receivers in both catches and yards. Nicks certainly benefited from the extra attention paid Victor Cruz's way as he managed to free himself of single coverage all evening.

3 MUFFED! — The Giants' defense once again won their side of the ball, just like in Super Bowl XLII, as they slowed down New England's vaunted uptempo attack. Tuck had both of New York's sacks and was in the backfield all night. While Brady was the highest luminary on New England, his supporting cast was held in check for the most part. Wes Welker was limited and tight end Rob Gronkowski had just two catches.

What went wrong ...

1 Championship heart — No matter what the Giants had planned for Tom Brady and no matter how deep he was pinned to start a drive, he kept coming at the Giants. The microcosm of Brady's greatness came when he marched the Patriots right down the field after getting pinned at his own 4-yard line.

2 Running in place — The Giants never really received the type of balance head coach Tom Coughlin preached as their leading rusher was Ahmad Bradshaw with 72 yards. Bradshaw got no help as Brandon Jacobs only had 37 yards on nine carries.

3 Hold on — Big Blue struggled some with protection and ball security as they allowed three sacks and fumbled twice (Nicks and Bradshaw each). Although none of the fumbles were lost by the Giants offense, thanks to some lucky bounces, they were still moments that were too close for comfort.

TONY WILLIAMS

Gronk injury plays factor

Much of the week leading up to the Super Bowl was spent staring at Rob Gronkowski's left ankle injury.

That didn't change much during the game.

Gronkowski was clearly hobbled during the game, but he played significant snaps nonetheless.

In the first half Gronkowski was targeted just once, but he made a catch for 20 yards down the seam. It came in a crucial moment though. The Patriots had taken over inside their own 5-yard line and Gronkowski's catch was part of the 14-play, 96-yard drive that put the Patriots ahead at the half. Gronkowski's 20-yard catch brought New England from their own 15-yard line out to the 35-yard line.

26 Gronkowski, who scored a record 20 touchdowns for a tight end in the regular season, had just two catches for 26 yards.

In the second half, Gronkowski was less of a factor. He had just one catch and played a role in two crucial Patriots mistakes.

Tom Brady threw a deep pass to him that was intercepted by Chase Blackburn and he had no elevation on the final Hail Mary he could've caught.

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▶ Gronkowski had 20 yards on this second quarter catch.

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Super Bowl in pictures

The view from on the field at the Super Bowl

We know you were focused on the action — and definitely not waiting for the commercial breaks — but just in case you wanted to relive some of the moments we picked a few of the best.

There may not have been any helmet catch, but the game came down to the end nonetheless.

At the end of the day — to quote Giants safety Antrel Rolle — the game was just as close and hard fought as many expected it to be.

The emotion of the sport's biggest game was etched on the faces of everyone on the field — from wide receiver Hakeem Nicks to Patriots quarterback Tom Brady.

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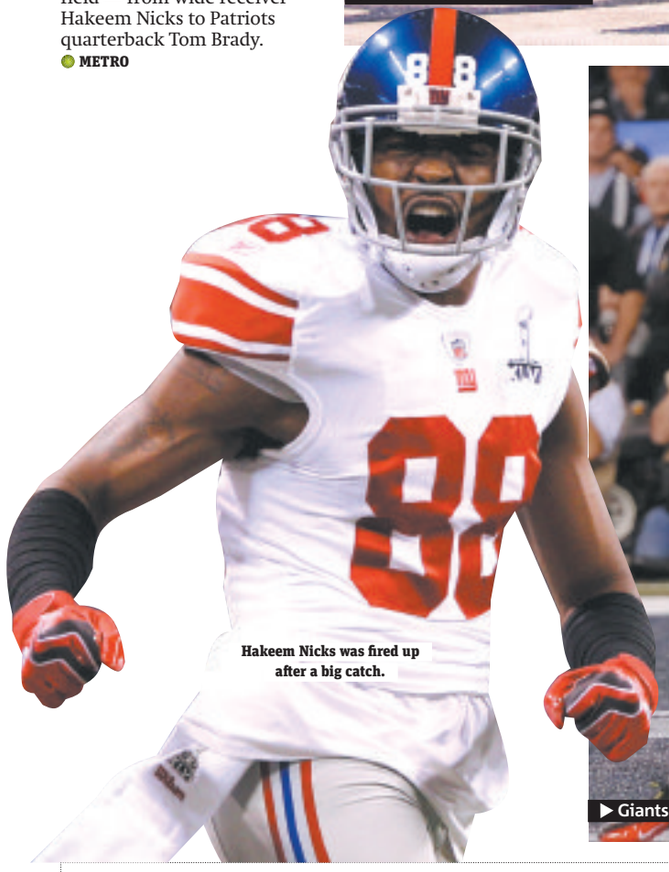
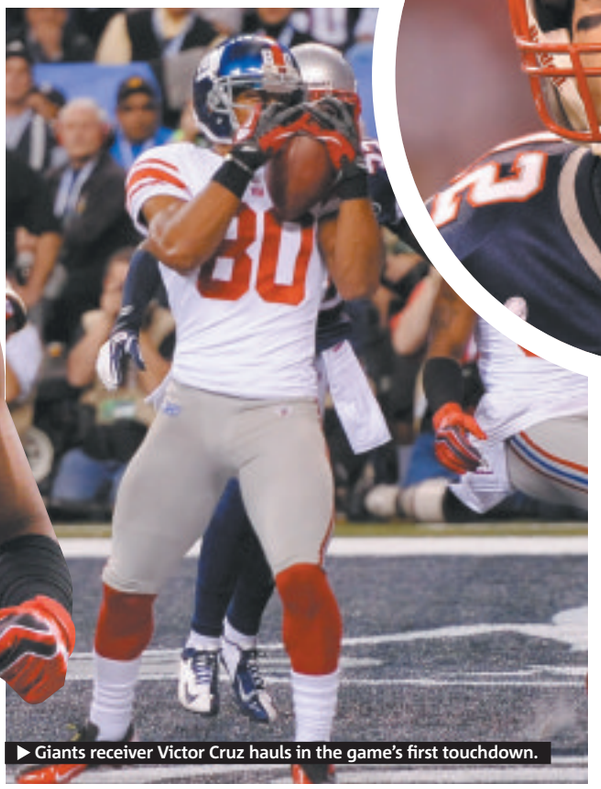
▶ Tom Brady looks at the expanse of Lucas Oil Stadium from the end zone.



Hakeem Nicks was fired up after a big catch.



▶ Giants receiver Victor Cruz hauls in the game's first touchdown.

▶ The Patriots celebrate after Aaron Hernandez catches the go-ahead score in the first half.

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Eli Manning completed nine straight passes to begin the game. That is a record for a quarterback in a Super Bowl. The first six were all to different receivers.

7

Travis Beckum was the seventh player this year to suffer a season-ending knee injury for the Giants. Domenik Hixon and Jonathan Goff were two of many.

3:55

New England drove 94 yards on 14 plays in just three minutes and 55 seconds at the end of the first half. None of the Giants' first three scoring drives was shorter.

29

Aaron Hernandez's touchdown in the third quarter was his ninth this season, which added to Rob Gronkowski's 20 makes 29 TD catches for Patriots tight ends.

88

The drive that put the Giants ahead, 21-17, was nine plays, 88 yards and ate up two minutes and 49 seconds. It could've taken longer if Ahmad Bradshaw knelt down.

2

The Giants had just two sacks in the game, though they did get more pressure. Both sacks were by Justin Tuck, one on the final drive.

Sports in brief

NFL may eliminate Pro Bowl game

NFL. Roger Goodell has apparently realized that if no one cares about a game, maybe it's not actually worth playing.

In an ESPN Radio interview with "Mike and Mike," the commissioner admitted he wasn't happy with the play from last week's game and he wants changes.

"We're either going to have to improve the quality of what we're doing in the Pro Bowl or consider other changes or even considering eliminating the game if that's the kind of quality game we're going to provide," Goodell said in the interview.

The AFC won 59-41 in a game that was essentially defense optional. MVP Aaron Rodgers openly complained about his teammates' effort after the game.

Celtics' blowout win is four in a row

NBA. While the Knicks are pinning their dreams on an undrafted point guard from Harvard, the Celtics are now rolling.

Boston defeated Memphis, 98-80, to earn their fourth straight win. Kevin Garnett led the Celtics with 24 points and nine rebounds.

After struggling to a 5-9 record in their first 14 games, the Celtics have now won eight of nine and are 13-10 overall.

Paul Pierce added 21 points, while Rajon Rondo had 14 assists.

No. 5 Duke upset in overtime, 78-74

NCAAB. You don't just waltz into Cameron Indoor Stadium and beat the Blue Devils — unless you're Miami, that is.

The Hurricanes led by 16 in the second half, but showed impressive resolve to defeat Duke in overtime.

Reggie Johnson scored a career-high 27 points on 11-of-17 shooting. He scored five of the team's nine points in OT. Austin Rivers and Seth Curry combined for 42 for Duke.

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Rangers take critical win over rival Flyers

New York has now won six straight after beating Philadelphia ◐ Del Zotto nets game-winner ◐ Lundqvist shutout streak ends, but he earns win

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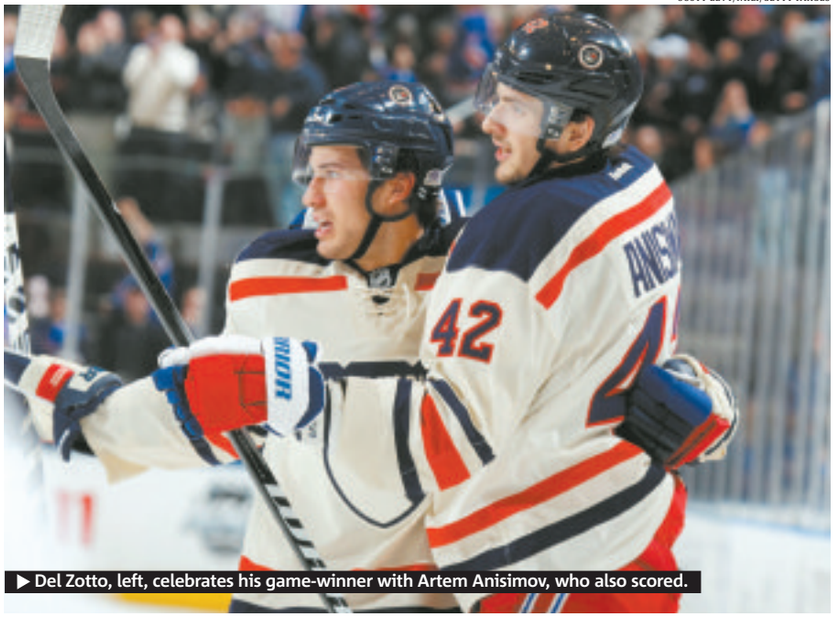

▶ Del Zotto, left, celebrates his game-winner with Artem Anisimov, who also scored.

While it will be overshadowed by Super Bowl XLVI, what transpired at the Garden will resonate for the Flyers and Rangers.

"We know how important these games are," Marian Gaborik said after the Rangers' 5-2 win over the Flyers. "We have played very well against them this year.

"It was a big win."

The win was the Rangers' fourth in four games against the Flyers this season. The Rangers have won the last six games in the series dating back to the 2010-11 campaign. The rivals have two games remaining this season, both in Philadelphia.

Gaborik, Artem Anisimov, Michael Del Zotto, Brandon Dubinsky and Ruslan Fedotenko scored goals for the Rangers. Henrik Lundqvist made 21 saves.

Anisimov added two assists and finished with a game-high three points. The line of Anisimov, Gaborik and Derek Stepan combined for two goals and five assists for seven points and were a collective plus-nine.

"It's a line that has done a lot of good things for us early in the year," John Tortorella said. "That line will probably stay together and hopefully it will keep on rolling."

The Rangers have an Eastern Conference-best 71 points. They lead Philadelphia by five points in the Atlantic Division race and have two games in hand. The Rangers' last regular season sweep of the Flyers occurred in the 1971-72 season.

"We were in a position to win a hockey game and we don't. We walk away. We're trying to chase down first in the division, first in the conference, and we're on the short end," Flyers coach Peter Laviolette said. "I think, generally speaking, [goaltender Ilya Bryzgalov] and our team could play better than what we did. We had an opportunity to win a game and we didn't."

Throughout the game there were chants of "you can't beat us" from the Garden faithful. The chants grew in intensity and steadiness following Dubinsky's third-period goal that increased the Rangers' lead to 4-2.

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Devils earn win

New Jersey beat Pittsburgh, 5-2, for their fourth straight win. Ilya Kovalchuk had a goal and two assists.

"Your top players need to be your top players," **Martin Brodeur said about Kovalchuk,** who has keyed the team's winning streak.

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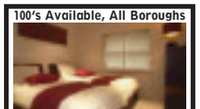
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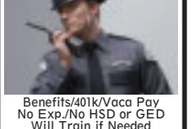
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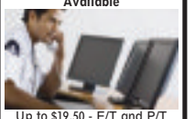
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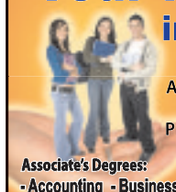
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